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## **REMARKS**

By this Amendment, Claim 22 has been canceled. No claims have been added or amended. Hence, Claims 1-2, 4-8, 10-14, and 16-21 are pending in this application.

Claim 22 has been canceled in order to place this application in a better condition for appeal. The cancellation of Claim 22 does not alter the scope of any other claim that is pending in this application. This amendment conforms to 37 C.F.R. § 41.33(b)(1). Entry of the amendment is respectfully requested.

A petition for extension of time, to the extent necessary to make this reply timely filed, is hereby made. If applicable, a law firms check for the petition for extension of time fee is enclosed herewith. If any applicable fee is missing or insufficient, throughout the pendency of this application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any applicable fees and to credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 50-1302.

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